

Winemaking waste as antimicrobial against the foodborne pathogen *Campylobacter*.

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Introduction

Campylobacter is considered to be the most important causal pathogen of food-borne gastrointestinal illnesses worldwide, with poultry, and especially chicken, being the main source of infection in humans (1). Since a large proportion of the European Union chicken production is contaminated with the pathogen (2), it is essential to search for new, natural and sustainable strategies to reduce the incidence of this bacteria in the food chain. Winemaking waste (WW) is a by-product of winemaking formed by grape pomace (the mashed up skins, seeds, and stems) and residual yeast. It contains high amounts of phenolic compounds which are a valuable source of bioactive compounds. In the present work, different extracts were obtained from WW (Tempranillo grape) to evaluate their antimicrobial effect on *Campylobacter*

Objectives

The objectives of the present study were: (a) to evaluate the antimicrobial activity of WW against *Campylobacter spp*, (b) to determine the main phenolic composition of the extract, and c) to confirm the behavior observed using phenol pure standards.

Materials & Methods

Extract preparation & Evaluation of the Antimicrobial activity of WW



- 100 gr of homogenized Tempranillo WW
- Methanolic and aqueous extraction of the phenolic compounds
- Total phenolic amount estimated by Folin assay



- Seven strains of *C. jejuni* and one strain of *C. coli*
- Exposure to WW at different concentrations in Brucella Broth (BB). Incubation in VAIN at 42°C under microaerophilic conditions (85% N₂, 10% CO₂, 5% O₂).
- Recovery media: Müller Hinton Agar (MHA)

Structural analysis of the phenolic composition of the extracts

- The main phenolic compounds present in the WW were fractionated by semi-preparative reverse-phase high-performance liquid chromatography (RP-HPLC)
- Main phenolic compounds (in the total extract and in the fractions) were identified by HPLC-MS (3).
- Structural confirmation was developed using pure standards of the most representative compounds



Results and Discussion

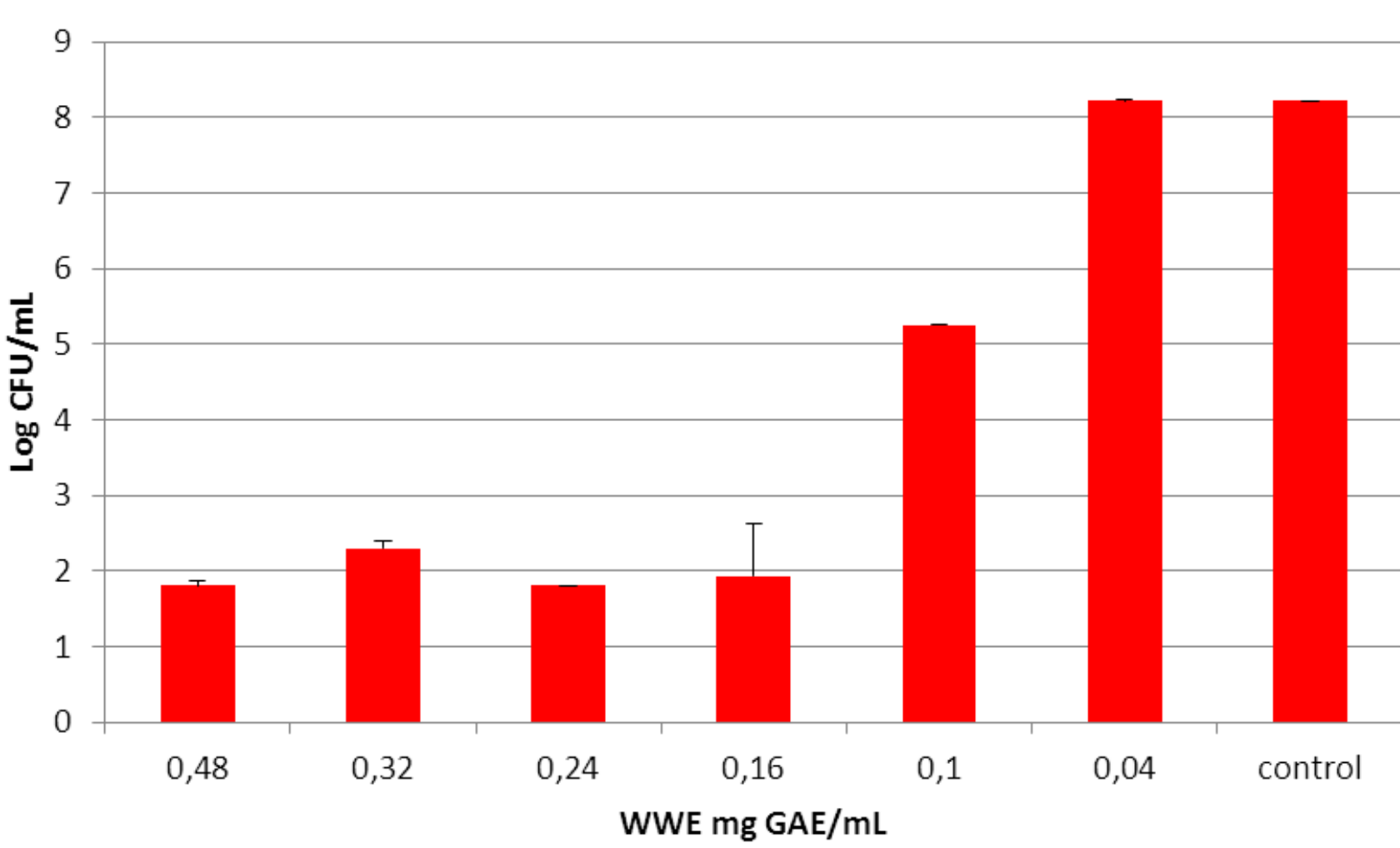
Antimicrobial activity of WW against *Campylobacter*

Table 1. Antibacterial activity of the WW (0.48 mg GAE/mL) against 7 strains of *Campylobacter*. The results are expressed in log cfu/ml \pm standard deviation (SD) (n=3)

<i>Campylobacter</i> strains	Media log CFU/ml \pm SD (log reduction) (n =3)		
	Control	WW (0,48 mg GAE/ml)	Log of Inhibition
<i>C. jejuni</i> LP1	8.37 \pm 0.21	2.5 \pm 1.44	5.87
<i>C. jejuni</i> CII I	6.18 \pm 0.82	1.59 \pm 3.14	4.59
<i>C. jejuni</i> CN1	8.29 \pm 0.23	3.98 \pm 0.38	4.31
<i>C. jejuni</i> 118	8.51 \pm 0.2	>1,48 ^a \pm 0,0	>7.03
<i>C. jejuni</i> 11168	7.88 \pm 0.1	6.44 \pm 0.21	1.44
<i>C. jejuni</i> 11351	7.06 \pm 0.71	3.35 \pm 0.07	3.71
<i>C. coli</i> LP 2	8.56 \pm 0.1	2.44 \pm 1.62	6.12

^a Calculated log of detection limit (30 cfu/plate)

Figure 1. MIC of WW on viable counts of *C. jejuni* LP1. Results are expressed as log CFU/ml \pm standard deviation (n=2)



Structural analysis of the phenolic composition of the extracts

Figure 2. Chromatogram of the fractions collected by preparative HPLC

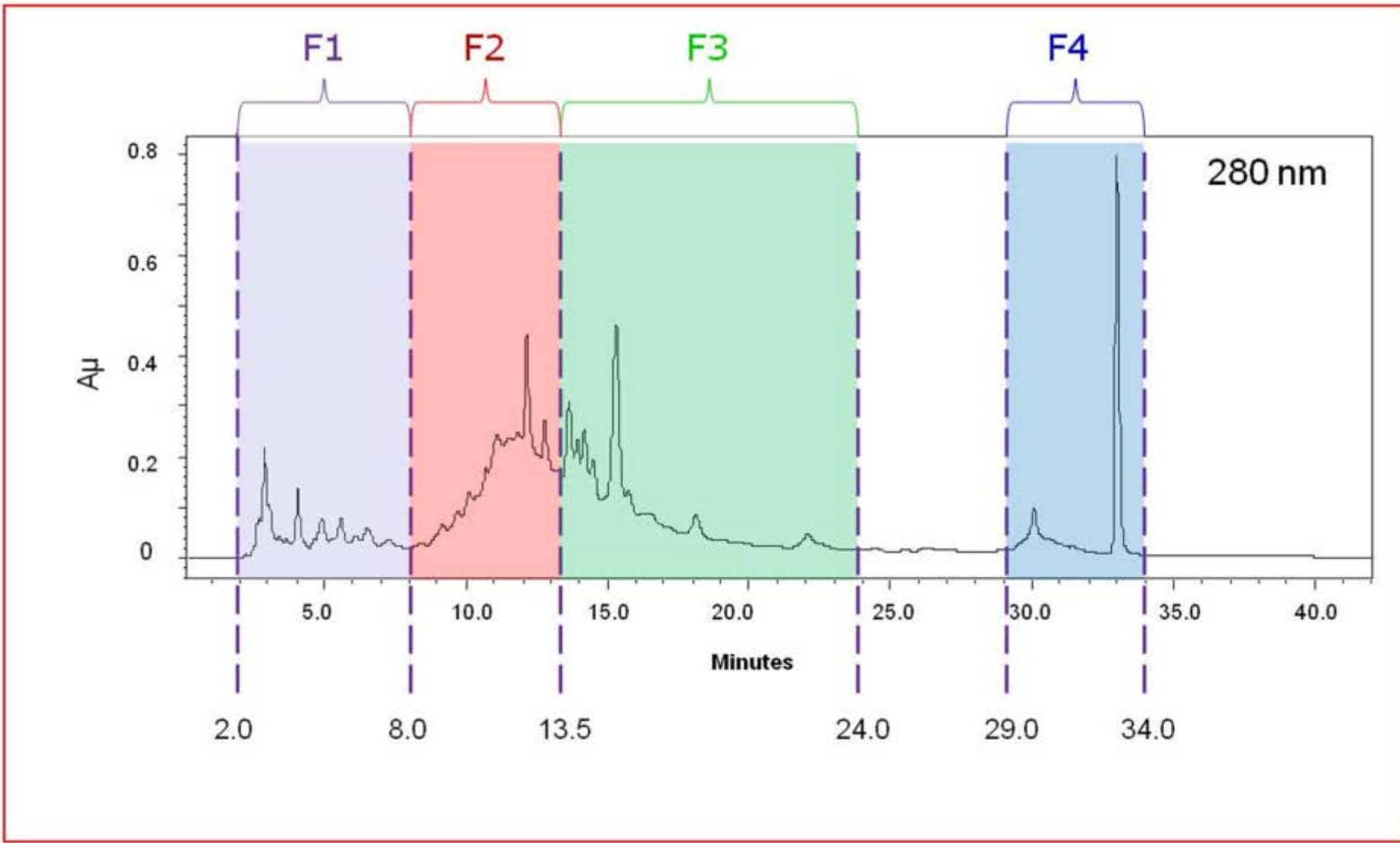
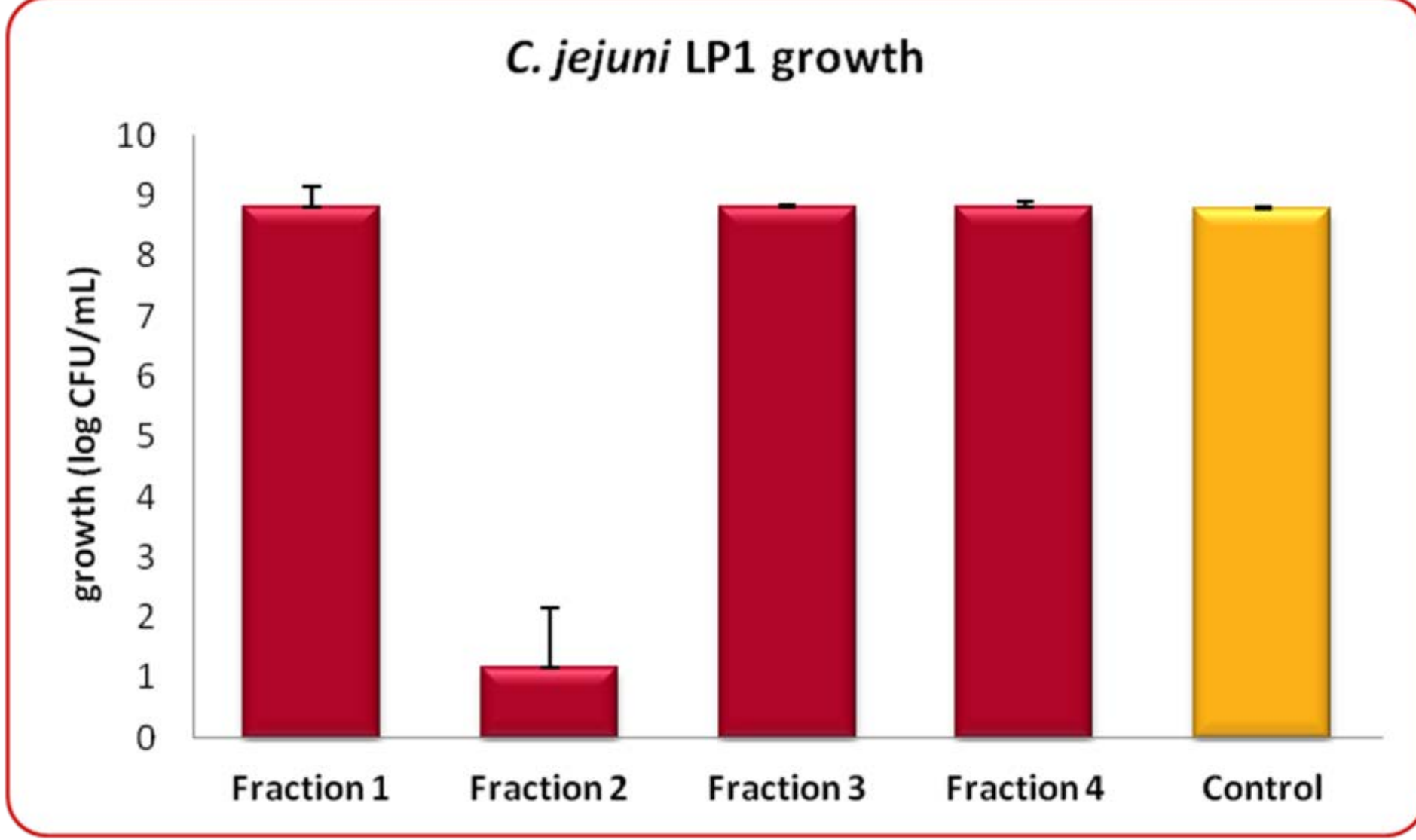


Table 2. Phenolic composition (mg/L) of WW and its collected fractions (mean \pm SD) (n=3).

Compounds	Total extract	Fraction 1	Fraction 2	Fraction 3	Fraction 4
Flavonols	421.93 \pm 4.92	0.00 \pm 0.00	21.64 \pm 0.02	168.79 \pm 0.73	0.00 \pm 0.00
Myricetin-3-rutinoside	traces		traces		
Myricetin-3-glucoside	47.61 \pm 0.41				
Quercetin-3-rutinoside (Rutin)	23.97 \pm 0.29			18.40 \pm 0.02	
Quercetin-3-glucoside	94.45 \pm 0.77			63.37 \pm 0.22	
Quercetin-3-rhamnoside (Quercitrin)	94.45 \pm 0.77			7.00 \pm 0.00	
Quercetin-3-glucuronide	70.29 \pm 0.65		21.64 \pm 0.02	38.15 \pm 0.07	
Kaempferol-3-rutinoside	10.10 \pm 0.15			5.41 \pm 0.09	
Kaempferol-3-glucoside	27.97 \pm 0.52			16.03 \pm 0.22	
Quercetin	37.87 \pm 1.14			15.10 \pm 0.09	
Kampherol	15.24 \pm 0.21			5.33 \pm 0.02	
Acids	837.89 \pm 153.23	743.70 \pm 78.12	13.45 \pm 0.50	0.00 \pm 0.00	0.00 \pm 0.00
Phloroglucinol	791.50 \pm 151.51	719.83 \pm 76.50			
Siringic acid	20.42 \pm 0.39		12.70 \pm 0.50		
Galic acid	25.97 \pm 1.33	23.87 \pm 1.63	0.75 \pm 0.00		
Catechins	578.41 \pm 44.30	34.16 \pm 3.91	132.99 \pm 3.21	0.00 \pm 0.00	0.00 \pm 0.00
B1	83.32 \pm 4.30	34.16 \pm 3.91	17.54 \pm 0.55		
Catechin (Cat)	88.04 \pm 6.62		9.78 \pm 0.54		
B2	110.22 \pm 9.01		41.08 \pm 0.21		
Epicatechin (Ec)	156.73 \pm 12.22		23.55 \pm 0.79		
Ec-Ec-Cat	96.13 \pm 10.40		16.23 \pm 0.54		
Ec- Epicatechin gallate (ECG)	18.09 \pm 0.21		13.60 \pm 0.15		
ECG	25.88 \pm 1.54		11.22 \pm 0.42		
Anthocyanins	222.00 \pm 1.84	0.00 \pm 0.00	14.49 \pm 0.69	122.76 \pm 0.78	0.00 \pm 0.00
Delfhinidin-3-glucoside	23.14 \pm 0.35		12.68 \pm 0.58		
Cyanidin-3-glucoside	traces				
Peonidin-3-glucoside	71.32 \pm 0.62		0.72 \pm 0.02	36.91 \pm 0.50	
Malvidin-3-glucoside	125.73 \pm 0.84		1.10 \pm 0.09	85.58 \pm 0.27	
Malvidin-3-acetate	1.81 \pm 0.04			0.27 \pm 0.01	
Total Polyphenols	2060.24 \pm 204.29	777.86 \pm 82.04	182.57 \pm 4.42	291.55 \pm 1.51	0.00 \pm 0.00

Figure 3. Effect of the fractions on *C. jejuni* . Fraction 2 held a significant antimicrobial activity against the pathogen.



Conclusions

All the strains were sensitive to WW at a concentration of 0.48 mg GAE/ml (table 1). The MIC of WW was carry out on a representative strain. WW was effective against *C. jejuni* until a concentration of 0.1 mg GAE/L. The fractioning of the sample showed that fraction 2 is the responsible of the behavior observed. This fractions was mainly constituted by phenolic acids and catechins. Using pure standards, we check that siringic acid (phenolic acid), epicatechin and epicatechin-gallate (catechins) were the most active compounds. This information can contribute to design new process to produce phenolic extracts active against *Campylobacter*